IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph [0009] as follows:

[0009] In one embodiment, an isolated polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence Y (Trp/Phe) Xaa_1 Xaa_2 Xaa_3 Xaa_4 Xaa_5 (Trp/Phe) Xaa_6 Xaa_7 (Trp/Phe) Z (SEQ ID NOs:17-20) is provided. Y, which may or may not be present, is a peptidic structure containing at least one cysteine residue and having the formula $(Xaa)_n$. Xaa is any amino acid residue and n is an integer from 1 to 20. Z, which may or may not be present, is a peptidic structure containing at least one cysteine residue and having the formula $(Xaa)_n$, wherein Xaa is any amino acid residue and n is an integer from 1 to 20. The amino acid residues of in Xaa_1 through Xaa_7 can be any amino acid and the amino acid residues of Xaa_1 through Xaa_5 are positively charged.

Please amend paragraph [0010] as follows:

[0010] In another embodiment, an isolated polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence Y (Trp/Phe) Xaa_1 Xaa_2 Xaa_3 Xaa_4 Xaa_5 (Trp/Phe) Xaa_6 Xaa_7 Xaa_8 (Trp/Phe) Z (SEQ ID NOs:21-24) is provided. Y, which may or may not be present, is a peptidic structure containing at least one cysteine residue and having the formula $(Xaa)_n$. Xaa is any amino acid residue and n is an integer from 1 to 20. Z, which may or may not be present, is a peptidic structure containing at least one cysteine residue and having the formula $(Xaa)_n$, wherein Xaa is any amino acid residue and n is an integer from 1 to 20. The amino acid residues of Xaa_1 through Xaa_8 is any amino acid, and at least two of the residues of Xaa_1 through Xaa_5 are positively charged.